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SUBJ: RESPONSE TO DENT LETTER ON GSP

REF: (A) STATE 170566, (B) BELGRADE 3713

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED REPLY FROM SECRETARY LUDVIGER TO AMBASSADOR DENT'S LETTER TRANSMITTED BY REFTEL (A). LUDVIGER'S RESPONSE,(WHICH BEING POUCHED) THANKS AMB DENT FOR ATTENTION GIVEN TO YUGOSLAV REQUESTS ANFF INDICATES FULL AGREEMENT WITH STATEMENT THAT GSP SHOULD ASSURE EQUITABLE PARTICIPATION FOR ALL BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

2. LETTER SINGLES OUT YUGOSLAV REQUEST ON CHAIRS FOR ADDITIONAL COMMENT TO AVOID QUOTE POSSIBLE MISUNDERSTANDING UNQUOTE. IT STATES THAT GOY REQUEST FOR SPLIT IN TSUS ITEM 727.30 WAS NOT INTENDED TO CIRCUMVENT COMPETITIVE NEED CRITERIA. RATHER WAS MOTIVATED PRIMARILY BY FACT THAT QUOTE IN TOTAL EXPORT OF (YUGOSLAV) CHAIRS TO U.S., THERE ARE DIFFERENT KINDS OF CHAIRS,
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AMONG WHICH ROCKING CHAIRS DIFFER SIGNIFICANTLY FROM OTHER

COMMON CHAIRS, BECAUSE OF SPECIAL TECHNOLOGICAL AND TECHNICAL
PRESSING OF BEECHWOOD USED FOR THEIR MANUFACTURE UNQUOTE.

3. LETTER EXPRESSES HOPE THAT LUDVIGER WILL SEE DENT IN
BELGRADE IN NEAR FUTURE TO DISCUSS OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS OF MUTUAL
CONCERN, BOTH BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL.

4. COMMENT: ECON COUNSELOR HAD SPOKEN TO ASST. SECRETARY
ZIBERNA EARLIER THIS WEEK, AT WHICH TIME SHE SAID SHE WAS
DRAFTING LETTER TO LUDVIGER. SHE ORALLY MADE SIMILAR POINT;
THAT YUGOSLAV KITCHEN CHAIRS AND ROCKING CHAIRS DIFFER SIGNI-
FICANTLY IN CONSTRUCTION AND ARE NOT SUBSTITUTES FOR ONE ANOTHER
IN U.S. MARKET. AFTER REREADING LUDVIGER'S ORIGINAL LETTER AND
DENT'S REPLY, SHE BELIEVED ORIGINAL LETTER SUSCEPTIBLE TO MIS-
UNDERSTANDING. WHILE YUGOSLAVIA WOULD ENJOY BENEFIT IF TSUS SPLIT,
THIS NOT RPT NOT EXCLUSIVE
NOR EVEN MAIN REASON FOR REQUEST, WHICH
BASED ON TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF ITEMS INVOLVED. MRS. ZIBERNA
ADDED THAT ALL YUGOSLAV FIRMS HAD BEEN ADVISED NOT TO ALLOW
CHAIR EXPORTS DURING REMAINDER OF YEAR EXCEED COMPETITIVE NEED
CEILING.
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